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FOR: Coated Tablets

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

With the Action dated September 9, 2008, the Examiner returned the form PTO-1449 submitted on March 21, 2006 with the three references cited thereon crossed out because no copies were provided. Since the original references were cited in the ISR and are of record in the instant PCT application PCT/EP04/010696, copies are not deemed to be necessary. Nevertheless, a supplemental PTO-1449 and a copy of one reference are now provided.

Crossing out the WO reference is not understood since this is the same reference cited by the Examiner in the Action.

The original EP reference is replaced by its US patent equivalent, as noted in the ISR.

The original FR reference is replaced by a GB reference, which is its English language equivalent, also as noted in the ISR.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form.

<u>Fees</u>

Applicants request that any fees necessitated by this paper, be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-4395 in the name of Novartis Consumer Health, Inc.

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